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TO MR. RYAN A VARNUM  
EXAMINER

BRIEF INQUIRY

Ref: APPLICATION 10/572,863

(Cylindrical Applicator for Dispensing Cosmetic Compositions)

Dear Mr. Varnun:

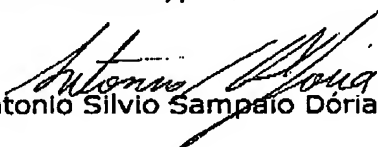
I would like to ask a simple question regarding the communication of 04/10/2009. As the inventor, and the person responsible for all costs, I ask you to kindly give an opinion about the possibility of amending the claims and having them accepted.

All claims were rejected. 35 paragraphs (an extensive analysis) explain why this happened. However, the patent attorney says all the rejections may be overcome by amending the claims. He has said that after talking to you, he was convinced supporting arguments can be presented in favor or patentability of the claims. So I ask for your opinion on this, since the cost for amending the claims is very high, and for someone living in Brazil who is only a teacher (my case) it is even higher.

If you could write to my email address, I would be more than grateful. It is [sampaio.doria@uol.com.br](mailto:sampaio.doria@uol.com.br).

Thank you for your attention,

Yours sincerely,

  
Antonio Silvio Sampaio Dória